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1. SUMMARY: EMBASSY OFFICERS CALLED ON VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE WISNIEWSKI ON JULY 19 TO CONFIRM ARRANGE-MENTS FOR THE SUBJECT NEGOTIATIONS AND TO DISCUSS POINTS OF PROPOSED AGREEMENT AS OUTLINE IN REF B. WISNIEWSKI BELIEVES THAT AN AGREEMENT CAN BE SIGNED ON SATURDAY EVENING, JULY 31, OR ON MONDAY, AUGUST 2, DEPENDING ON AMBASSADOR RIDGWAY'S DESIRED DATE OF DEPARTURE. THE VICE MINISTER OFFERED TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ARRANGE A VISIT TO THE POLISH BALTIC COAST FOR THE DELEGA-

TION ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 1. WISNIEWSKI ACCEPTED THE DELETION OF PARAGRAPH THREE OF THE PREAMBLE AND CLARIFIED POLISH THINKING WITH REGARD TO THE SUGGESTED POLISH CLAUSE ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND THE QUESTION OF PRE-COURT SETTLEMENT. THESE POINTS ARE COVERED IN SEPTEL. END SUMMARY

2. EMBASSY OFFICERS CALLED ON EDWIN WISNIEWSKI, VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE AND MARITIME ECONOMY, PER INSTRUCTIONS REF B. WISNIEWSKI, WHO WILL HEAD THE POLISH DELEGATION, SAID THAT HE WOULD BE GLAD TO RECEIVE AMBASSADOR RIDGWAY AND THE U.S. DELEGATION JULY 31-AUGUST 2 AS DISCUSSED IN MONTREAL. HE NOTED THAT THE MINISTRY HAD PLANNED ON SIGNING THE AGREEMENT ON SATURDAY EVENING, JULY 31, IN ORDER TO FACILITATE AMBASSADOR RIDGWAY'S EXPECTED DEPARTURE ON AUGUST 2. WISNIEWSKI SAID HE WOULD BE DELIGHTED IF THE DEPARTURE WERE DELAYED UNTIL AUGUST 3, SINCE THIS WOULD ALLOW MORE TIME FOR THE NEGOTIATIONS AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW AMBASSADOR RIDGWAY MORE OF POLAND. HE ASKED THAT THE EMBASSY RECONFIRM THE DELEGATIONS EXPECTED DATE OF DEPARTURE. IF IT WERE INDEED TO BE AUGUST 3, THE SIGNING WOJLD BE HELD ON AUGUST 2.

3. VICE MINISTER WISNEWSKI SUGGESTED THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE FOR THE NEGOTIATIONS:

SATURDAY, JULY 31

0900-1230 PLENARY SESSION AT MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE

1230 MEETING WITH MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE AND MARITIME ECONOMY OLSZEWSKI FOR AMBASSADOR RIDGWAY AND ONE OR TWO OTHER MEMEBERS OF THE DELEGATION.

1330 LUNCH OFFERED BY MINISTER OLSZEWSKI AT
JABLONNA PALACE (30 MINUTES FROM WARSAW).
AFTERNOON - WORKING GROUP OR PLENARY SESSION, IF NECESSARY.
POSSIBLE SIDE-TRIP TO ZELAZOWA WOLA, CHOPIN'S
BIRTHPLACE.

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2000 SIGNING OF AGREEMENT, IF DEPARTURE IS AUGUST 2.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1

ALL DAY ON POLISH BALTIC COAST (GDANSK AND GDYNIA), WITH RETURN TO WARSAW THAT EVENING.

MONDAY, AUGUST 2

SIGNING OF AGREEMENT MONDAY MORNING, ASSUMING DELEGATION DEPARTURE SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 3.

- 4. EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE NAMES OF THE POLISH DELEGATION AS SOON AS AVAILABLE. ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL OFFICER LARRY BUTCHER SHOULD BE LISTED AS MEMBER OF THE US DELEGATION AND WILL PLAN TO MEET THE DELEGATION UPON ARRIVAL AND TO ACCOMPANY IT ON THE TRIP TO GDANSK AND GDYNIA.
- 5. AN ACCOUNT OF THE SUBSTANTIVE PORTION OF THE DISCUSSION WITH VICE MINISTER WISNIEWSKI FOLLOWS BY SEPARATE TELEGRAM.
- 6. IN VIEW OF THE NUMBER OF ISSUES STILL UNRESOLVED, IT SEEMS DESIRABLE FOR THE US DELEGATION TO PLAN TO LEAVE WARSAW ON AUGUST 3. IT MIGHT NOT PROVE POSSIBLE TO FINISH THE NEGOTIATIONS AND PREPARE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS IN A SINGLE DAY.

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